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ABSTRACT

This book is designed to provide teachers with practical advice on how to conduct environmental education as part of day-to-day classroom programs. Activities and strategies for planning, organizing, and carrying out environmental education across the curriculum are provided to develop teachers' confidence and enthusiasm for teaching in the area. The book emphasizes characteristics of environmental education that involve children in real-life experiences, assist children in developing skills of inquiry and investigation, use a "hands-on" approach to learning, and involve children in cooperative learning. Ten chapters contain: (1) steps to becoming a greener teacher, books to read and things to do; (2) games, trails, and sensory awareness activities to help children appreciate and enjoy the environment; (3) over 50 activities to develop key understandings in, about, and for the environment; (4) values clarification activities to help children think through environmental issues; (5) teaching and learning approaches for environmental education; (6) developing an environmental ethic in the classroom and throughout the school; (7) empowering children to feel positive about the environment; (8) a guide to planning integrated units of work for environmental education; (9) assessing children's learning and evaluating environmental education programs; and (10) resources and resourcefulness for environmental education. (LZ)

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